

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Special Open Door Forum:
Internet-based Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS)

Tuesday, January 13, 2009
3:30PM – 5:00PM Eastern Time (ET)
Conference Call Only

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will hold a Special Open Door Forum (ODF) to discuss the implementation of the Internet-based Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS) for physicians and non-physician practitioners.

Today, physicians and non-physician practitioners in 44 States and Washington, D.C. can use Internet-based PECOS to enroll, make a change in their Medicare enrollment, view their Medicare enrollment information on file with Medicare, or check on the status of a Medicare enrollment application via the Internet.

CMS expects to expand the availability of Internet-based PECOS for physicians and non-physician practitioners located in California, Texas, Virginia, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado, and Puerto Rico by end of January 2009. In addition, CMS will make Internet-based PECOS available next year to organizational providers and suppliers (except durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) suppliers).

During this Special ODF, CMS staff will discuss:

- Advantages of Internet-based PECOS,
- Use of National Plan and Provider Enumeration System User ID and password,
- Process associated with submitting an enrollment application via Internet-based PECOS, and
- Certification Statement and supporting documentation.

Afterwards, there will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions.

Additional Information

For information about Internet-based PECOS, including important information that physicians and non-physician practitioners should know before submitting a Medicare enrollment application via Internet-based PECOS, go to www.cms.hhs.gov/MedicareProviderSupEnroll.

We look forward to your participation.

Special Open Door Forum Participation Instructions:

Dial: 1-800-837-1935 Conference ID 73178380

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An audio recording of this Special Forum will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp and will be accessible for downloading beginning January 23, 2009.

For automatic emails of Open Door Forum schedule updates (E-Mailing list subscriptions) and to view Frequently Asked Questions please visit our website at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/opendoorforums/>

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